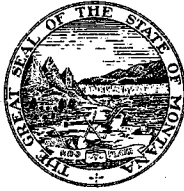


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Exhibit No. 2

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Bill No. SR-6

January 3, 2007

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Capitol Station
Helena, Montana 59620

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MIKE FERRITER**

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Professional Work History:

2006 – present	Director, Montana Department of Corrections
1995 – 2006	Community Corrections Division Administrator, Department of Corrections
1995 – 1991	Community Corrections Bureau Chief, Department of Corrections
1991 – 1987	Field Services Supervisor, Department of Corrections
1987 – 1982	Director, Missoula Prerelease Center
1982 – 1979	Parole Office, Missoula, MT
1979 – 1977	Juvenile Probation Officer, Cascade County, Montana

FORMAL EDUCATION:

- Bachelor of Science degree in Vocational Rehabilitation with an emphasis in Sociology and Psychology, Eastern Montana College, Billings, MT, 1977
- Completed all course work toward a Masters Degree in Public Administration, University of Montana, Missoula, MT, 1982

The following is a list of accomplishments in which I have played a significant role:

- Establishment of performance audits for probation and parole officers
- Improvements to the case management practices of probation and parole officers
- Development of the first extensive policy and procedure manual for probation and parole
- Role in determining the appropriateness for adult probation and parole officers to carry firearms
- Improvement to the "Risk and Needs" instrument for the supervision of adult and juvenile offenders
- Role in the establishment of supervision fees
- Establishment of POST certified training for probation and parole officers
- Development of Montana's Intensive Supervision Program
- Establishment of parole officers at each correctional facility
- Relocation and building of the current boot camp
- Establishment of the Helena Prerelease Center
- Expansion of prerelease centers in the communities of Butte, Great Falls, Missoula and Billings
- Establishment of Montana's first community based 60-day chemical dependency program for felony offenders
- Involvement on a state and national level with legislative and operational changes to Interstate Compact
- Involvement with legislation that established the Juvenile Delinquency Intervention Program
- Establishment of the Riverside Youth Correctional Facility
- Establishment of a juvenile female transition program

- Work related to Montana's first felony DUI treatment program
- Placement of addiction counselors and employment specialists at probation and parole offices
- Pilot program for juvenile intensive supervision
- Establishment of facilities/programs to determine placement option to offenders committed to the Department of Corrections
- Role on the national level with the network for "Community Corrections Executives"
- Service on the National Interstate Compact Compliance Committee
- Establishment of alternative work hours for probation and parole officers
- Service to the National Institute of Corrections on the regional training committee
- Work related to the establishment of the Eastmont Chemical Dependency program
- Establishment of the revocation and sanction center referred to as START
- Aided in the process of establishing legislation and facilities for methamphetamine treatment
- Assisted in the development of Montana's first facility providing prerelease, substance abuse and assessment services in one facility for female offenders
- A member of the Montana Homeless Council